

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 3, after line 22, please insert:

Figure 4 illustrates a flow diagram showing a method for delivering content according to the present invention.

Figure 5 illustrates a flow diagram showing a method for receiving and processing content according to the present invention.

On page 18, after line 11, please insert:

A method for delivering content according to the present invention is now described with reference to Figure 4.

Initially, in step 101 programming content which is desired to be transmitted is divided into smaller chunks of data.

In step 102, a chunk file is created for each chunk of data. Each such chunk file includes the data chunk and a message digest for verifying the integrity of the data chunk.

In step 103, there is generated a manifest file that includes information describing how to assemble the chunks of data. In addition, the manifest file might include any or all of: a block message digest for verifying the integrity of the programming content; for each chunk of data, a message digest for verifying the integrity of such data chunk; identification of each chunk of data in the programming content; and/or multiple sets of

information, with each set describing how to assemble the chunks of data in a different predetermined manner.

In step 104, the created chunk files and the generated manifest file are transmitted to a remote location. Such transmission may be electronic or on physical media. In the latter case, the chunk files may be distributed across a set of physical media, with each of such physical media in the set containing the manifest file.

A method for receiving and processing content according to the present invention is now described with reference to Figure 5.

Initially, in step 107 multiple chunk files and a manifest file are received, e.g., either electronically or on physical media. In the latter case, the chunk files may be distributed across a set of physical media, with each of such physical media in the set containing the manifest file.

The chunk files include chunks of data that together make up programming content. Each chunk file also includes a message digest for verifying the integrity of the chunk of data within the chunk file.

The manifest file includes information describing how to assemble the chunks of data. In addition, the manifest file might include any or all of: a block message digest for verifying the integrity of the programming content; for each chunk of data, a message digest for verifying the integrity of such data chunk; identification of each chunk of data in the programming content; and/or multiple sets of information, with each set describing how to assemble the chunks of data in a different predetermined manner.

In step 108, the chunks of data are stored. For example, the data chunks may be stored such that each chunk remains separately identifiable.

In step 109, the chunks of data are assembled and played according to the information in the manifest file.